

Substitute Bill No. 286

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## AN ACT CONCERNING THE HOURS OF OPERATION OF THE OFFICIAL WEIGHING AREAS IN GREENWICH, DANBURY AND UNION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Section 14-270c of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2008*):
- (a) The Commissioners of Public Safety and Motor Vehicles shall
  staff the official weighing areas as follows:
- 5 (1) Greenwich: Eight work shifts in each seven-day period from 6 Sunday through Saturday. No such shifts shall be worked 7 consecutively, except that two shifts may be worked consecutively on 8 not more than three days;
- 9 (2) Danbury: Three work shifts in each seven-day period from 10 Sunday through Saturday. The Commissioner of Public Safety shall, 11 whenever possible, coordinate coverage between this official weighing 12 area and the official weighing area in Greenwich in order to ensure 13 concurrent coverage;
- 14 (3) Union: Between five and eight work shifts in each seven-day 15 period from Sunday through Saturday. The Commissioner of Motor 16 Vehicles shall coordinate the hours of operation of this official 17 weighing area; and

- (4) Portable scale locations: Ten shifts in each seven-day period from Sunday through Saturday which shall be staggered throughout the four geographical areas established by the Commissioner of Public Safety with concentration in areas that have fewer hours of operation for the permanent weighing areas.
- 23 (b) The Commissioners of Public Safety and Motor Vehicles shall 24 adjust the work shifts required in subsection (a) of this section on a 25 daily basis in order to effectuate an unpredictable schedule.
- (c) The Commissioner of Public Safety may assign any remaining
  personnel in the traffic unit to the permanent weighing areas in
  Waterford and Middletown or to the portable scale operations.
- (d) The Commissioner of Public Safety shall assign personnel from the traffic unit to work between nine and twelve shifts in each sevenday period from Sunday through Saturday to patrol and enforce laws relative to the safe movement of all vehicles on the highways of the state.
- 34 (e) Nothing in <u>subsections (a) to (d), inclusive, of</u> this section shall 35 prohibit the Commissioner of Public Safety from reassigning personnel 36 in the traffic unit as he deems necessary in order to ensure public 37 safety.
- 38 (f) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a) to (e), 39 inclusive, of this section and subject to the provisions of section 14-40 270d, the official weighing areas in Greenwich, Danbury and Union 41 shall have the following hours of operation: (1) Greenwich: Monday to 42 Friday, inclusive, twelve hours per day; Saturday and Sunday, eight 43 hours per day; (2) Danbury: Monday to Friday, inclusive, eight hours 44 per day; Saturday and Sunday, four hours per day; (3) Union: Monday 45 to Friday, inclusive, eight hours per day; Saturday and Sunday, four 46 hours per day.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following			
sections:			
Section 1	October 1, 2008	14-270c	

TRA Joint Favorable Subst.